GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:947
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ATROCITIES ON STs IN DADRA AND NAGAR HAVELI
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Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Union Government is aware that the tribals of Dadra and Nagar Haveli are loosing their lands through illegal sales after the death of the land holder, with the connivance of revenue authorities;

(b) if so, the facts thereof;

(c) whether the tribal girls are being exploited through temporary marriages with non-tribals settling in the territory and Adivasi girls are being exploited in the flesh trade because of their poverty;

(d) if so, whether the Government has examined the report of National Commission for women on the condition of women there; and

(e) if so, the action being taken in regard thereto?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI S. REGUPATHY)

(a)to(e): During the meeting of National Commission for women with NGOs, etc. held in Silvassa on 27-9-2004, it was alleged that outsiders are exploiting tribal girls and that there are alleged sale of land belonging to tribals. On investigation by officers of U.T. Administration, these allegations have not been substantiated.